

do you suppose it all came out? It came out that President Lincoln heard of it and gave Mr. Pringle a furlough with orders to report whenever he was called and of course he was never called upon. Mr. Pringle overcame the United States government and I doubt if there is another botanist that could do it. That persistence and courage led him perhaps all through his life. He went back and married the young lady and I wish I might say they lived happily ever afterward, but it ended in a divorce.

Well, I might go on and tell you about many other botanists, but I think I might told about enough and I thank you very much. It is a very great pleasure to both Mrs. Parish and myself to be with you this evening.

A NEW SPECIES OF CYPRESS

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Cupressus Forbesii Jepson n. sp. Slender tree 15 to 20 ft. high; bark very smooth, shining, red-brown or even dark cherry red; branchlets squarish; foliage bright green; dorsal pits of leaves minute or commonly wanting; cones globose, $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 1-5 in. long; seed red-brown.

This cypress was discovered Dec. 30, 1907, in Cedar Cañon between El Nido and Dulzura, San Diego County, by my former student, Mr. C. N. Forbes, later Assistant in Botany, Bishop Museum, Honolulu. I take pleasure in naming it in his memory. The same thing, apparently, has also been found on Mt. Tecate and near Pala by Mr. S. B. Parish but I have not seen his specimens.

NOTES AND NEWS

Professor J. H. Patton, of the University of Melbourne, visited the University of California in September. He voiced surprise at the size and growth of the Blue Gums (*Eucalyptus globulus*) in the Hilgard Grove on the University campus and remarked: "We have none as tall in our own state of Victoria. There must be something very mild about your winters and something equable about your whole year that gives such growth. We grow your Monterey Cypress as a lawn tree for its pyramidal shape and also as a hedge for clipping. Lawson Cypress we also grow as well as Monterey Pine. Monterey Pine does well and we use its wood for making cheap packing cases."

From Professor Patton it was learned that Baron Ferdinand von Mueller's collection is utterly neglected. It is housed in its original herbarium building about ten miles from the University of Melbourne, the fine library still with it. This establishment, for such it once was, does not belong to the University and does not belong to the Botanic Garden, just outside of which it stands.—W. L. J.